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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR:

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in Paragraph 5.

2. Dr. William G. Torpey (Code 113, Extension 671), a full-time consultant on manpower to OCDM and executive secretary to the OCDM's advisory committee on Specialized Personnel, requests that the Director or someone designated by the DCI address their Committee at 9:30 A.M. Thursday, 5 November 1959, on what other countries, particularly those behind the Iron Curtain, are doing and have done in furnishing technicians and scientists to underdeveloped countries. They are particularly interested in the policy governing Iron Curtain nations in furnishing technicians, scientists, and engineers to Egypt, on a loan basis. Dr. Torpey said that the United States government is receiving an increasing number of requests from free world countries to have American industry furnish individual engineers, scientists, and technicians to assist their countries in various developmental projects, and the OCDM finds that there is no clear-cut U.S. policy governing the handling of such requests. It finds American scientists and industrialists confused and individuals reluctant to take overseas assignments because they lose retirement privileges, fringe benefits, and the security and tenure established in their positions here at home. This Advisory Committee believes that were the CIA to furnish ^{information} on this subject, insofar as how the Iron Curtain nations handle this question, it would help them in recommending an American policy.


3. Dr. Torpey referred during his conversation to the very excellent presentation made to the President's Committee of Scientists and Engineers by Dr. Scoville the day the first Sputnik was launched. Dr. Torpey states that their Committee consists of 25 individuals, 60% from within the government and

40% from outside but all of them cleared by security to receive SECRET information. He said the Committee is interested as to whether the Soviet and its satellites who furnish scientists, technicians, and engineers abroad give extra pay to these people; whether they give them awards of any kind; if they guarantee against loss of status in the job they leave at home; whether they take care of their families while they are away; etc.

4. He said the meetings are completely off the record and no minutes are kept if the speaker so requests. They normally have three speakers at each meeting and the meetings start at 9:30 and conclude at 12 o'clock noon.

5. RECOMMENDATION: That the DCI make available the DD/I or an expert of his choosing for this intra-governmental mission.

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